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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MEETING ON SALMON ISSUE
REF: TOKYO 0920

1. JAPANESE EMBASSY APPROACHED DEPT JAN. 22 WITH PROPOSAL FOR MEETING ON SALMON ISSUE BEGINNING EITHER FEB. 13 OR FEB. 18. SITE PRESUMABLY WASHINGTON THOUGH EMBASSY OBSERVED THEY WOULD BE OPEN TO OTHER SUGGESTIONS.

2. IN VIEW FACT THAT US-CANADA CONSULTATION ON SALMON INTERCEPTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE AT SEATTLE WEEK OF FEB. 11 AND THAT MOST OF PERSONS KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT BRISTOL BAY ISSUE WILL BE PRESENT OR AVAILABLE, WE SUGGESTED TO JAPANESE THAT MEETING SITE BE CHANGED TO SEATTLE BEGINNING PREFERABLY FEB. 11 BUT NOT LATER THAN FEB. 13 AS THEY ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED. EMBASSY PROMISED TO RELAY OUR PROPOSAL TO TOKYO AND TO BE IN TOUCH WITH US AGAIN BY JAN. 28.

3. JAPANESE EMBASSY DID NOT IDENTIFY THEIR POSSIBLE REPRESENTATIVES FOR TALKS. IN VIEW IMPORTANCE OF HAVING

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SOMEONE PRESENT WITH AUTHORITY TO MAKE DECISIONS FOR GOJ

WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO MODIFY OUR PROPOSAL RE TIMING
SOMEWHAT IF IT WOULD ENABLE OHBA TO ATTEND. PERHAPS HE
COULD ARRIVE SOMEWHAT LATER IN WEEK OF FEB. 11.

4. MCKERNAN WILL BE LEADING US DELEGATION AS CONSULTANT
DISCUSSIONS WITH JAPANESE ON BRISTOL BAY ISSUE, ASSUMING
SEATTLE AGREED AS SITE. US-CANADA DISCUSSIONS WILL TAKE
PLACE AT DOWNTOWN SITE WHILE US-JAPAN DISCUSSIONS WOULD
TAKE PLACE AT NORTHWEST FISHERIES CENTER. WHILE SITUATION
PLACES OBVIOUS CONSTRAINTS ON TIME OF SOME OF US PRINCI-
PALISTS IT APPEARS TO US THAT A LARGE PART OF DISCUSSION
MUST NECESSARILY BE OF TECHNICAL NATURE HANDLED BY SPEC-
IALISTS OF NORTHWEST CENTER. FYI ANOTHER ADVANTAGE OF
PLACE AND TIME SUGGESTED IS THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF
STATE OF ALASKA WILL BE PRESENT FOR CANADA TALKS AND WILL
BE AVAILABLE IF NEEDED FOR CONSULTAION RE BRISTOL BAY
SALMON. END FYI.

5. WE APPRECIATE OHBA'S CONCERNS RE PUBLICITY AND WILL
COOPERATE. KISSINGER

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